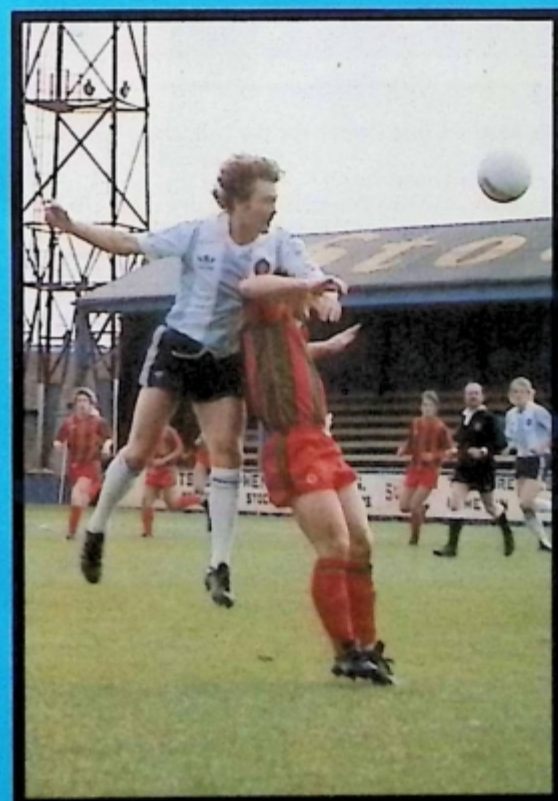


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Top: Tommy Sword challenges 'Dale keeper Chris Pearce for the ball. Daveinsky looks on.

Left: John Rutter heads away. Tommy Sword observes.

Right: Tommy Sword scores County's 2nd goal with a perfect penalty during the 2nd half.

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We would like to apologise to supporters if some of the content of this programme is a little out of date. With printing deadlines for Christmas somewhat earlier than usual (our copy had to be in by the middle of the month). We will be back to normal for our next issue.

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(Match reports on County's games will be included in our Torquay issue on Jan. 9th).

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1978-1980

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Year	Div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
1970-71	Dv	2	1	0	1	2	9	32	67 1c
1971-72	PL	42	27	13	2	91	32	67	1c
1972-73	PL	46	27	10	9	70	43	64	3
1973-74	PL	46	23	14	9	69	38	60	3
1974-75	PL	46	28	8	10	96	39	64	2
1975-76	PL	46	33	6	7	94	38	72	1c
1976-77	PL	46	21	15	10	81	42	57	6
1977-78	PL	44	14	15	15	62	54	43	14
1978-79	PL	46	25	15	6	83	45	65	2
1979-80	4	46	21	13	12	63	48	55	6th

PL denotes Northern Premier League
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SUMMARY OF LEAGUE ENCOUNTERS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	2	0	0	2	1	3	0
Away	2	0	0	2	1	5	0
	4	0	0	4	2	8	0

WIGAN'S FIRST STROKE OF MISFORTUNE

Until a recent run of adverse results sent Wigan tumbling down among the re-election strugglers, they could claim to be the only club in the Football League never to have suffered a bad season!

With two highly successful League seasons behind him, manager Ian McNeill was hoping his side might have finished in one of the top four positions this season and so succeed where they had marginally failed over the past two seasons. Sadly, that seems unlikely now.

Wigan finished sixth in each of their two seasons in the competition, with an almost identical record:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
1978/79	46	21	13	12	63	48	55	6th
1979/80	46	21	13	12	76	61	55	6th

Like most newly-elected clubs, Wigan made a slow start to their League programme in August, 1978. Then they made a phenomenal rise up the table and were decidedly unlucky not to clinch promotion at the first attempt.

In the end they were hit by nerves and managed only one win in their closing eight matches. But there were some folk at Springfield Park who felt it was probably better to make more gradual progress.

Mr. McNeill had himself been planning the future carefully for a long while and is continually adding to his playing staff to improve the depth of talent available to him. Last season he paid a £30,000 club record fee to sign centre-back Colin Methven from East Fife and during the last close-season he added three more Scots to his squad — midfield players Bobby Hutchinson (Hibernian) and Jim Oliver (Montrose), plus forward Lawrence Tierney.

Wigan have proved to be traditionally slow starters since they came into the Football League so they have not quite lost hope, even now, of making one of their characteristic revivals to join in the promotion race.

Wigan Athletic are the second club to play League soccer at Springfield Park. There was a club called Wigan Borough who became one of the founder members of the Football League Third Division (North) in 1921. They met with varying degrees of success and their highest position was fourth in 1928/29.

Tragedy struck the club in 1931 in the form of a financial crash and, in October of that year, they were forced to resign from the Football League, leaving their fixtures unfinished.

The club went into liquidation and in 1932 the present club was founded and not long after that made the first of multifarious applications for admission to the Football League. They almost made it in 1951 when they tied with Workington on the first ballot. But they were beaten in a subsequent vote.

In spite of putting in their annual application, they never again made too much impression until their claim was eventually recognised in 1978 when they were voted in to replace hapless Southport.

Wigan have more than proved their right to League soccer, both on the field and in the manner of their support. In spite of poor results this season, they are still one of the best-supported sides in the Fourth Division.



WIGAN ATHLETIC F.C. LINE-UP 1980-81

Back Row (left to right) Tony Quinn, Mike Quinn, George McAllister, Lawrence Tierney, Jeff Wright, Paul Hendry, David Tait, Middle Row (left to right) Ian Gilbride (Coach), George Urquhart, Jim Oliver, Neil Davids, John Brown, Bob Ward, Colin Methven, Peter Houghton, Frank Corrigan, Ken Banks (Trainer/Coach), Front Row (left to right) Maurice Whittle, Mark Wiggall, John Curtis, Tommy Gore, Ian McNeill (Manager), Dave McMalley, Bob Hutchinson, David Glenn, Dave Fretwell.

Photograph courtesy WIGAN ATHLETIC F.C.

JOHN BROWN (Goalkeeper). Born Bradford, John spent many years in the background with Preston and enjoyed his first flush of success in League soccer after coming to Edgeley Park on loan in 1970/71. He returned to Preston, soon to win his first-team place and he was transferred to Stockport again in 1975. A year later he moved on to Wigan. They were in the Northern Premier League at that time.

BOB WARD (Goalkeeper). Born West Bromwich, Bob turned professional for West Bromwich in 1973 and made occasional appearances in the Throslies' League eleven. He moved on to Blackpool in 1977 and signed for Wigan two years later.

DAVE FRETWELL (Defender). Born Normanton, Dave made his League bow for Bradford City in 1970/71 but then had to wait two more years before getting a further chance. He went on to make more than 250 League appearances for the Valley Parade club before moving to Wigan in 1978. He was ever-present last season.

DAVE McMULLEN (Defender). Born Denny, Dave developed in the junior sides at Springfield Park and was eased into the League eleven last season when he was called on twice as substitute. This season he has appeared both in midfield and in defence.

BRIAN KITTLE (Defender). Born Prescot, Brian spent many years with Liverpool and made his First Division bow for the Reds in 1975/76. His chances at Anfield, however, were very rare so when he was invited to join Wigan this season he was happy to make a fresh start.

COLIN METHVEN (Defender). Born Kirkcaldy. When Wigan signed Colin from East Fife last season the £30,000 fee was a club record. Colin made his first appearances in the East Fife team in 1975 and was ever-present for three successive seasons before his transfer.

JOHN CURTIS (Defender). Born Poulton, John was a Blackpool first-teamer for four seasons, moving on to Blackburn Rovers in 1978. After a brief loan period with Wigan, he signed for that club on a permanent basis in 1979.

NEIL DAVIDS (Defender). Born Bingley. Neil is a former England youth international who started out with Leeds United. He didn't get into their League eleven and was transferred to Norwich in 1975. He moved on to Swansea in 1977 and Wigan signed him in 1978.

BOBBY HUTCHINSON (Midfield). Born Scotland, Bobby was signed from Hibernian during the recent close-season. It was with Dundee that he first played Scottish League soccer in 1974 and he became a consistent goalscorer for them. He was

transferred to Hibernian in 1977.

FRANK CORRIGAN (Midfield). Born Liverpool. Frank's road to success in League soccer was a strange one for he was rejected by Blackpool in 1973 without getting a chance in their senior side. He got one solitary outing in Walsall's League team and then decided to go non-League. He was with Northwich Victoria before joining Wigan in 1978.

DAVID GLENN (Midfield). David served his apprenticeship with Wigan and made his League debut as substitute against Port Vale in September this year. He has since been given several full games in midfield.

GEORGE URQUHART (Midfield). Born Glasgow, George was with Motherwell as a youngster but he drifted into non-League football with Ross County until Wigan signed him during the 1979 close-season.

LAWRENCE TIERNEY (Midfield). Born Scotland, Lawrence joined Wigan from Hibernian this summer. But it was with the other Edinburgh team, Hearts, that he first played Scottish League soccer in 1978/79. He was transferred to Hibernian at the end of that season.

TONY QUINN (Forward). Born Liverpool, Tony made a sensational start to his League career last season by scoring in each of his first five full League appearances. He eventually finished up with a tally of 10 goals. As a youngster he was attached to both Everton and Liverpool.

MIKE QUINN (Forward). Born Liverpool, Mike scored on his League debut against Halifax last April and in recent weeks he has been holding a regular place in the Wigan attack.

PETER HOUGHTON (Forward). Born Liverpool, Peter has been Wigan's top scorer for the past two seasons, hitting 14 goals in 1978/79 and 16 last season. At one point of last season he was poised to join Portsmouth but that deal fell through. Peter joined Wigan from South Liverpool in 1977.

JEFF WRIGHT (Forward). Born Alston, Jeff was ever-present in Wigan's first campaign in the Football League in 1978/79 and he maintained an unbroken sequence until missing his first game against Bradford City last month. That gave him an unbroken run of 110 League appearances for the club.

MAURICE WHITTLE (Defender). Born Wigan, Maurice made his League debut for Blackburn Rovers in 1968/69 but he was transferred to Oldham at the end of that season. He became a fixture as a part-timer. He then went to the U.S.A. and returned to sign for Barrow before returning to Wigan at the beginning of last season.

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On Target cover spotlight this week falls on Reading's **MIKE KEARNEY**. Mike left Reading to rejoin Chester at the beginning of the season but was resigned again during an injury crisis two months later.

Personality Profile

by Derek Henderson

Archie Gemmill — A Tireless Dynamo

Brian Clough openly admitted the other day that he regretted having parted company with Archie Gemmill and wished he was back with Forest. A greater tribute to a player's prowess could scarcely have been uttered by the controversial manager.

Who among those who remember seeing it will forget Gemmill's spanking goal against Holland for Scotland in the 1978 World Cup Finals that gave his country a fleeting hope of salvaging something out of impending disaster.

Alas, that Gemmill goal which restored some of Scotland's shattered pride was not quite enough and though then won 3-2, they were then out of the competition.

The partnership between Clough and the doughty little Gemmill was first fashioned at the Baseball Ground when he went to Derby from Preston. Previously a St Mirren player, Archie was then 'on his way' as they say.

Gemmill's very walk has an air of purpose about it, as if he's saying 'Let's get on with it'.

A midfield player of tremendous tenacity, he is in the mould of Alan Ball and Asa Hartford without perhaps possessing the fiery temperament that prompts these other two players occasionally to explode in testy situations.

Gemmill is like Ball in another respect — both have high-pitched voices. But Archie is his own man, with a style of his own and during his 200-plus League appearances for the Rams established himself as a great favourite in the Midlands.

Scotland, meanwhile, had not ignored his talents. Gemmill won the first of his caps in 1971 against Belgium and was busy on the international scene for the next 18 months.

There was a lapse of four years before he was recalled in 1976 and has since been Scotland's captain — the highest honour his country can afford any of its players.

His move to Birmingham City — a shrewd buy by Jim Smith to take him to St Andrews — did not affect his international status and his six further caps this year took his total to 39 at the start of this season.

Gemmill's biggest disappointment as he played a vital part in Birmingham's return to the First Division last season was not picking up a medal — because they finished third.

But he could be after more glory because Scotland have high hopes of qualifying for the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain. As one of the Scots who have embarrassed memories of Argentina, he'd dearly love to be part of a Scottish set-up that reached Spain and put that 1978 experience well and truly into the more-forgotten pages of Scottish football history.

Soccer Spotlight ON LEEDS v SUNDERLAND 1973

by Derek Henderson

Sunderland's activities now in the First Division may tend to make their 1973 F.A. Cup final success against Leeds United look less dramatic now than it was at the time.

The situation that week was pretty awe-inspiring as far as the bookmakers and the majority of observers were concerned.

Leeds were back at Wembley for the second year in succession and were absolutely bristling with star players. Among their 12 nominated players for the Final, only one was not a full international — something which must have presented a psychological hurdle to the Sunderland players, who were then ploughing their way along a Second Division path.

True, on the way to the great stadium Sunderland had seen off the likes of Manchester City and Arsenal, and for that reason alone, they deserved the respect of Don Revie and his men on the big day.

But of course the Cup throws up such results every season, and when the chips are down at Wembley, the value of sheer class in a team's ranks is of the highest importance.

Nevertheless it all went wrong for Leeds — and provided a day the cheerful North-Easterners will never forget.

There was only a goal in it. But it was far less simple than that as Sunderland goalkeeper Jim Montgomery — their top hero of the day — will testify.

The fateful moment for Leeds was the 31st minute following a Billy Hughes corner. Dave Watson's thrust put off one or two men around him and when the ball bounced off Vic Halom, a gleeful Ian Porterfield drove it home.

Leeds, like many fine teams, were always at their most dangerous when they were up against it. They drove Sunderland back with the sheer ferocity of their counter-attacks. How Montgomery prevented an equaliser only he knew.

When he dived to palm away Trevor Cherry's header, the ball went straight to Peter Lorimer, the Scot with one of the fiercest shots in the business.

But somehow Montgomery dragged himself up off the ground and pushed Lorimer's shot over the top.

That broke Leeds' heart — and their chance of saving the day.

Wearside has rarely known a night of celebration like it, more spice to the rejoicing being added by the fact that they had been very much the underdogs.

It was the very essence of the F.A. Cup — and the message was clear: even in the Final, the odds can be defied.



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So with a long way to go Canada kicked off their World Cup programme with a home match against Mexico and emerged with a very creditable 1-1 draw. In fact Mexico were very fortunate to leave Toronto with a point. They were outplayed by the Canadians for most of the match, and it wasn't until the 88th minute that a momentary lack of composure in the Canadian defence let in Gonzalez whose shot was helped into the net by a deflection from Mexico's equaliser.

A week later the Canadians were in Fort Lauderdale to take on the USA, and once again they gave a good account of themselves and emerged with another precious point from a 0-0 draw. This time it was the Americans who did most of the attacking but Canada came the closest to actually scoring when a fierce shot from Mike Stojanovic rebounded into play off the crossbar.

In Vancouver a fortnight later the Canadians went one better, notching up a fine and thoroughly deserved 2-1 victory over the Americans. Four points from their three games put the Canadians firmly in the driving seat in the group and, barring accidents, should be enough to put them through into the group finals. The USA, on the other hand, must take three points off Mexico to go through — a pretty tall order.

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If you thought that the present points system in the NASL was confusing then don't even try to follow the American teams' mathematical progress next season. Under last season's system a team was awarded six points for a win, plus one point for every goal scored to a maximum of three — there are of course no draws in America thanks to the 'shoot-out' system.

In a move apparently designed to combat a trend towards defensive play, and in an attempt to decrease the importance of the 'shoot-out', the NASL have introduced a new points system for next season which will make a pocket calculator almost standard equipment for the average soccer fan.

Under the new system a win will be worth a staggering nine points, plus an additional point for the first goal scored, two points for the second goal, and three points for the third. Thus if a team should win, and in the process score three or more goals, they could pick up a maximum 15 points for the one game, which seems a bit excessive to say the least.

Games that finish in a draw, however, are consequently settled by a shoot-out will be awarded differently. In these cases the winning team will be awarded only seven points for the win instead of nine.

Another recent decision by the NASL will take the championship play-off game for next season into Canada for the first time. Toronto will host the 'Soccer Bowl 81' at the city's Exhibition Stadium where the playing area is formed of artificial grass and the pitch has a steep camber with an eighteen inch drop from the centre of the pitch to the touch-lines.



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Guest writer COLIN GUNNEY crippled the Royals



Jerry Williams in action against Plymouth Argyle.....Reading's injury crisis gave him a chance to earn a regular first team place.

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NOTHING can be taken for granted in football circles. As most people know even the best laid plans go astray. Even those clubs favoured for promotion (those having strong and experienced sides on paper) can all fall by the wayside if they are hit by a combination of ill fortune and a series of crippling injuries.

At the beginning of the season ON TARGET previewed the coming season in Division Three for Reading. Having finished last season in seventh position, things were looking up for this season. That seventh position was obtained despite an alarming injury list which robbed the club of the services of many key players in the latter half of the season.

ON TARGET reported that the injuries to those key players had been overcome and all the players were in contention for a first team place and that manager, Maurice Evans had a full complement to pick his side from.

ON TARGET said then that, providing there were no long term injuries, and with a bit of luck, Reading would be in with a great shout for promotion.

But how quickly things change.

The ink had barely time to dry on that ON TARGET article before several of those old injury problems occurred again together with a whole new series of crippling injuries.

The trouble, started at the beginning of the season when striker, John Alexander, who had missed nearly all the previous season recovering from a broken leg, pushed himself too hard in trying to get fit again and had to have his leg put back in plaster. John is now back in the reserve team getting match fit, but it has been a long hard road back to peak fitness.

But the main problems started when Reading played Luton Town in the second round of the Football League Cup.

In the first leg at home, Reading lost two key players — striker Gary Heale and full back, Mark White.

Gary Heale suffered an ankle injury while Mark White sustained knee damage. Heale has just started training again but White will not be back in action until after Christmas.

The two injuries came as a severe blow to the club. Gary Heale, was beginning to build up a promising partnership with the young and inexperienced Kerry Dixon up front, while Mark White was a key figure in the defensive set-up.

The injured list also included striker Ollie Kearns (knee), Dave Shipperley (broken nose) and Dave Morline (broken toe). All are now back in training.

The injuries did, however, provide one happier moment for the club — the return of Martin Hicks.

Hicks, like Alexander, missed all of last season after sustaining an ankle injury. He was still on the road to match fitness when he was put straight back into the first team. It was a gamble that paid off for the year's absence was hardly noticeable in his play and he is now back at his very best.

With all the injury problems, Evans went searching for a striker but an experienced one was hard to find. And when the signing was made it came as a bit of a surprise. The man signed was none other than Mike Kearney who only two months

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outlines the injuries that have s promotion hopes.



before had left Elm Park for Chester.

Kearney had played such an important part in the Reading set-up the year before that Evans was loathe to let him go to Chester for £50,000. However, things did not go according to plan for Kearney and Evans had little hesitation in buying him back for £50,000.

But then fate struck a cruel blow. Having a run out in the reserves before coming straight into the first team, Kearney sustained a groin strain and pulled stomach muscle which ruled him out of all games for almost a month. In fact Kearney's first game back in the first team was not until November 22 when he came on as substitute in the F.A. Cup first round tie against Fulham at Elm Park.

All these problems have affected Reading's form, more so at home than away. In recent weeks their away form has been so vastly different than that seen at Elm Park that many fans were beginning to doubt the validity of journalist's reports on away games.

But while injuries and ill fortune have left a small cloud hanging over Elm Park, there has been one bright spot — the



Full-back Mark White....his attacking qualities have been missed in recent matches. He is seen scoring against Grimsby last season introduction of 17-year-old Neil Webb.

Webb, an England Youth international was playing in the South East Counties League for Reading youth team last season but thrown into the first team as substitute at the beginning of the season. Subsequent injuries saw him gain a first team place — and now he has taken that opportunity.

Son of former Reading striker, Duggie Webb (his mother, Joan, is assistant Commercial Manager at the Club), Webb has certainly proved a revelation and attracted a lot of attention.

Showing skill and composure above his years, Webb has certainly earned his first team place. He has even been amongst the goals, scoring seven in his first 14 appearances.

Having started the season as an apprentice, his recent form



Pat Earles....leading goalscorer in action against Grimsby

has prompted manager Evans to sign him as a full time professional.

The sight of Webb performing so well can only be good for the other apprentices at the club. John Cullen and Steve Wood must have been heartened by the way Webb has slotted so easily into the team and it must only be a question of weeks before Cullen gets a run in the side at full back.

That little bit of luck which ON TARGET mentioned in that article at the beginning of the season has still not found its way to Elm Park. But whenever it does, the message to all the other Third Division teams must be BEWARE READING!

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The Game's Tragedies The Soccer Conspiracy Case

by Derek Henderson

In the mid 1960s the English game was rocked by a scandal of the first magnitude — the now-notorious Soccer Conspiracy Case.

If anyone ever doubted the value of the role of a free Press in a democratic society, this case surely provided a salutary lesson. For it was only through perseverance by reporters of the 'Sunday People' that the facts of the case — lurking below the surface — ever came to public knowledge.

When the dust had settled, three well-known footballers, Peter Swan, David Layne and Tony Kay — were all sent to prison for four months. They were found guilty of conspiring to prevent their team Sheffield Wednesday, from winning a game on which bets had been put.

At the same time, seven other players — including one or two who had finished with the game — were given like sentences on similar convictions varying from six months to four years.

One can imagine the general reaction to such revelations. It was publicity of the worst sort, and not surprisingly the game went through a period not only of intense criticism, but of serious self-examination.

All the more reprehensible was the fact that three such well-known players — for Swan was an England centre-half who won 19 caps — were involved in such goings-on.

In the actual event, the amounts involved in the case were pitifully small. At the trial, Kay's counsel told the judge: "He has given up, for £100, one of the greatest careers of any footballer."

Mr. Justice Lawton observed that although the Wednesday players were involved 'really by chance,' it was a matter which had to be stamped out.

Happily, nothing like it has happened since, though the Italian game has recently been rocked by a disgrace of even greater proportions.



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A statistical round-up of the 23 former Football League clubs, some playing in local and regional leagues others defunct...as copyrighted by Terry Vickers.

Burton United

Complete	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
League Record	464	147	80	257	657	594	374

Founded in 1890 as Burton Swifts but two years later they joined Division Two as original members when the officials decided on two divisions.

When 'United' joined the league their colours were blue shirts with white shorts, the club had high hopes of matching some of their near neighbours but always struggled to make ends meet. Seven seasons later and the men from 'Peel Croft' lost their place in Oldham Athletic (1906-07); failing to gain re-election, the club then went into total eclipse as the formation disbanded. As a league club Burton beat local rivals Watford 8-5 to create the club's highest score. Several of Burton United's highest scores were against teams who are currently in the modern day top bracket.

5-0 v. Manchester City (1893-94) and (1896-97).
8-2 v. Arsenal (1893-94); 5-1 v. Manchester United (1898-99).
4-1 v. Wolverhampton Wanderers (1906-07).

Season	Division	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos.
1893-94	Div.2	22	8	3	11	47	20	16	6th
1894-95	Div.2	22	14	3	5	79	61	31	6th
1895-96	Div.2	30	11	3	16	62	74	25	11th
1896-97	Div.2	30	10	4	16	38	69	24	11th
1897-98	Div.2	30	9	6	15	46	61	24	14th
1898-99	Div.2	30	8	7	15	38	69	21	15th
1899-00	Div.2	34	10	4	16	51	70	28	12th
1900-01	Div.2	34	8	6	19	43	84	24	15th
1901-02	Div.2	34	8	4	22	34	66	20	18th
1902-03	Div.2	34	11	8	15	58	54	30	12th
1903-04	Div.2	34	11	7	16	45	67	29	14th
1904-05	Div.2	34	8	4	22	30	84	20	17th
1905-06	Div.2	36	10	6	20	34	67	26	16th
1906-07	Div.2	36	8	7	21	34	66	23	18th

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Supporters' Club News

By Alan Cunningham

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our members and County Supporters and seasonal greetings to the supporters of Wigan Athletic F.C. In addition to those I wished a Merry Xmas to in our last column I should also like to include the club secretary Terry McCreery, the assistant secretary Peter Lamb and the man in charge of programme distribution Jack Roberts. I'd like to wish an especially Happy New Year to Howard Jones and his wife and express the Supporters' Association's continuing gratitude to Howard for his efforts with the programme. I hope that in the coming year the efforts of the County team (and I use that word in the widest possible sense) will gain their long overdue rewards. The same also goes for the Supporters' Association Quiz Team.

At this time of year many Stopfordians return home from various far-flung corners of the Kingdom and if any of those here today feel that they could start a branch of the Supporters' Association in another town then they will receive every assistance from us. You don't have to form a large group to obtain our support.

Regarding our travel arrangements, Martyn Thornbury, after researching and comparing prices, has obtained the services of Shearings Coaches to replace our former firm National. Our thanks are due to National and we can have no complaints about the quality of service they provided or indeed about any of their drivers whose magnificent sense of humour made many a trip successful. I appeal to our members to make our relationship with Shearings at least as happy and give full warning that it is the committee's resolve that no individual who jeopardises this will be tolerated. By today, arrangements for the Bournemouth trip next Saturday will have been finalised (although the options are complicated) and you can book for the trip at our shop on the terraces today. Regarding the Mansfield trip we would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused to those in the first coach. If the situation which occurred on this occasion repeats itself then we will definitely be altering our arrangements. A coach will be going to Aldershot — straight there and back — the provisional arrangements are: departure time 9.00 a.m., fare £6.00.

On the social front we are experiencing a few difficulties regarding tickets for the England v Scotland match but we will be doing our best for you in this matter. David Burton would also like to hear from anybody interested in the Northern Ireland and Switzerland matches.

In the New Year our chairman Jon Hall and membership secretary Ged Gibbons will be co-operating in producing a Membership Questionnaire to discover whether we are providing the service our members require and in what way we can improve it.

The committee has asked me to make a statement regarding the increase in prices at the gates. We have been in contact with the club and fully accept their view that the increase is necessary in the current financial position. 20p should not keep any true County fan away. As travelling away supporters we can confirm that the increase only brings us into line with the majority of clubs in the division.

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Express-ing a View

BY LEN NOAD

Sports Editor
Stockport Express



We are just about to say "Good-bye" to a year that, I feel, overall has pointed the way to better things. There is still far too much dreary defensive football about. But several teams have opened up their game and are playing some mighty attractive stuff.

As I said a very, very long time ago, football, just like everything else, goes through phases....and the last one was a really bad one. Maybe if they continue in this vein there will be no more talk of changing the rules....after all, they've been good enough for over a hundred years!

One of the teams that provided some of the best soccer we've seen for years is Ipswich Town — and their game against the Polish side that eliminated Manchester United from Europe, was something to be compared with that Hampden Park classic of a few years ago, Real Madrid and Eintracht Frankfurt.

West Bromwich Albion, too, so disappointing last season, have played some really attractive football this season as have Aston Villa and West Ham in the Second Division.

If progress in Europe doesn't tax their resources too highly, they may yet break the monopoly of Liverpool, who have won the title five times in the last eight years.

The Anfield side, in fact, have put up a few sketchy performances this year and, perhaps, their long run as England's top side may be coming to an end. But, be sure of this, they won't surrender without one hell of a fight.

The Hammers are a side for whom, I think, all football has a healthy respect. They have always attempted to play attractive football. The criticism has always been that they lacked the necessary bite to be champions. But they have certainly put together a team that contains all the best aspects of the game and they must, surely, return to the top flight next May.

That is why when trying to single out a Player of the Year I must select the classical Trevor Brooking. On and off the field he has been a credit to his country, his club and himself.

Not for Brooking the shows of temperament; his consistency is remarkable and his influence on a team most noticeable; recall how England crumbled when he was handicapped by injury and finally left the field in the disappointing game against Switzerland.

When Brooking was there things were happening. He has proved himself to be a loyal servant of West Ham; a dedicated club-man who has never shown any tantrums or a desire to jump on a financial band-wagon away from Upton Park.

Liverpool's Terry McDermott received both the players and the football writers awards last year but I'm sure that, already, Brooking must be high up in the list for the next award.

Southampton's sensational bid, to bring Kevin Keegan back to English football succeeded but with Kevin being affected so much this season with injuries, the results haven't been as good as I'm sure the Saints anticipated.

When it comes to choosing a manager of the year, once again, those two stylish footballing sides, Ipswich Town and West Ham may provide the answer.

The feats of little Ipswich must push manager Bobby Robson to the fore while John Lyall West Ham's manager who certainly doesn't court publicity but quietly goes on with his job, has an F.A. Cup Final victory over Arsenal to his credit; a place in the League Cup semi-finals and a favourite's chance of promotion.



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Steve Sherlock, pictured during his last first-team game for the club, in the Cup replay at Sheffield United. Steve recently entered hospital for treatment to his thigh strain, treatment which proved most successful.

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On this our Christmas home fixture of the festive season, I thought it rather appropriate that we had some sort of prize quiz this year. But before I let you loose with it I would just like to wish you all a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR when it comes. And so enough banter from me and on with our prize quiz to

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1. When did Terry Park play his last League game for County and who was it against?
2. Who is the Wigan Athletic player pictured on the right of this photo?
3. How many League goals did manager Jimmy McGuigan score as a player for County?
4. How many Football League clubs has Jimmy managed?
5. Which former Wigan player is currently playing for Stafford Rangers in the Alliance Premier League?
6. Who was the last County player to score a hat-trick in a Football League game?
7. How many goals did Wigan score in their first season in the 4th Division?
8. What post at Springfield Park does former Chairman Arthur Horrocks now hold?
9. When was the last time Stockport County beat Wigan Athletic?
10. When did County last score six goals in a Football League game?



and now for 10 questions on football in general;

11. How many Football League clubs has Manchester City's Phil Boyer played for?
12. Who are the 'Shrimpers', the 'Royals' and the 'U's'?
13. Who scored Wolverhampton Wanderers' 4th goal against Liverpool in a recent 1st Division match?
14. Who was the last player to score 40 goals in a 1st Division season?
15. How many caps did Denis Law gain for Scotland?
16. Who used to play at 'Seel Park', 'Holker Street' and 'Haig Avenue'?
17. Who scored twice once for each side during an F.A. Cup Final at Wembley?
18. Only 4 London clubs are situated south of the River Thames. Name them?
19. Who is the current manager of Wales?
20. Name three Football League clubs he played for?

and finally who is this player; DAVES TEETH



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Hartlepool	24	12	5	7	36	29	29
Aldershot	24	11	6	7	20	18	28
Peterborough	23	10	7	6	38	28	27
Bradford City	24	9	8	7	31	29	26
Doncaster Rovers ..	24	11	4	9	27	29	26
Rochdale	24	8	8	8	32	35	24
Wimbledon	24	10	3	11	31	25	23
Torquay Utd	24	10	3	11	30	31	23
Crewe Alex	25	7	9	9	32	36	23
Northampton	23	10	3	10	34	40	23
Wigan Athletic ..	24	9	5	10	26	32	23
Tranmere Rovers ..	23	9	4	10	33	33	22
Darlington	23	9	4	10	33	34	22
Bournemouth	24	8	6	10	20	26	22
Stockport County ..	24	8	6	10	26	33	22
York City	23	7	7	9	25	29	21
Scunthorpe	23	5	10	8	25	30	20
Port Vale	23	7	5	11	31	37	19
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Hereford	23	3	9	11	17	36	15

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Feb 6 (Fri)	● Chester 'A'	A
Feb 14 (Sat)	● TRANMERE ROVERS RES	H
Feb 20 (Fri)	● LIVERPOOL 'A'	A
Feb 28 (Sat)	● Bolton Wanderers 'A'	A
Mar 7 (Sat)	● Wrexham Res	A
Mar 13 (Fri)	ALTRINCHAM RES	H
Mar 21 (Sat)	Manchester City 'A'	A
Mar 27 (Fri)	● EVERTON 'A'	H
Apr 4 (Sat)	Manchester United 'A'	A
Apr 24 (Fri)	MANCHESTER UNITED 'A'	H

To be arranged:
MORECAMBE RES. H BARROW RES. H
OLDHAM ATH. RES H Carlisle Utd Res. A

● denotes 11 a.m. kick-off.

Fixtures · Goalscorers · Attendances · Officials · Scores

Date	Opponents	Ref.	Goalscorers	Gate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub.
24. Jul.	THAMES RIVERS (C.P.C.)	0-2	Williams, Sully	800	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
31. Jul.	CHAMPS (C.P.C.)	1-4	Williams, Sully	800	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
7. Aug.	CHAMPS (C.P.C.)	1-4	Sully	653	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
14. Aug.	CHAMPS (C.P.C.)	1-0	Sully	2,733	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
21. Aug.	ROCHDALE	2-2	Bradd, Sully (p)	2,733	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
28. Aug.	ROCHDALE	2-2	Sully	1,920	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
4. Sep.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	6,198	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
11. Sep.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
18. Sep.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
25. Sep.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
2. Oct.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
9. Oct.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
16. Oct.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
23. Oct.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
30. Oct.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
6. Nov.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
13. Nov.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
20. Nov.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
27. Nov.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
4. Dec.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
11. Dec.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
18. Dec.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
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1. Jan.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
8. Jan.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
15. Jan.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
22. Jan.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
29. Jan.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
5. Feb.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
12. Feb.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
19. Feb.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
26. Feb.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
5. Mar.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
12. Mar.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
19. Mar.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
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2. Apr.	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan
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7. May	SUNDERLAND (F.C.)	1-1	Sully	2,457	Leeson	Thurpe	Shirlock	Foster	Sword	Urelic	Williams	Sully	Bradd	Gabin	Cole	Reagan



KEY — HOME MATCHES IN BOLD
 * Player injured or withdrawn
 * Star man
 * Star man
 * Star man

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TEAM CHECK

STOCKPORT COUNTY

(Sky Blue/White/Black)

- 1 DAVID LAWSON
- 2 JOHN RUTTER
- 3 STEVE SHERLOCK
- 4 MARTIN FOWLER
- 5 TOMMY SWORD
- 6 STEVE UZELAC
- 7 OSHOR WILLIAMS
- 8 DAVE SUNLEY
- 9 LES BRADD
- 10 CHRIS GALVIN
- 11 TONY COYLE
- 12

WIGAN ATHLETIC

(Yellow/Green)

- 1 JOHN BROWN
- 2 DAVE FRETWELL
- 3 STEVE MCADAM
- 4 GEORGE URQUHART
- 5 COLIN METHVEN
- 6 ALEX CRIBLEY
- 7 DAVE McMULLEN
- 8 JEFF WRIGHT
- 9 PETER HOUGHTON
- 10 MIKE QUINN
- 11 BOB HUTCHINSON
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Subject to alteration

OFFICIALS

REFEREE:

MR. G.P. OWEN (Anglesey)

LINESMEN:

Red Flag — MR. T. CURTIS
(Sheffield)

Yellow Flag — MR. G. McMANUS
(Connah's Quay)



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FACTS & FIGURES

Result: County..... Visitors.....

County scorers.....

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Visitors scorers.....

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Half-time score:.....

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Attendance:.....

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Bookings:.....

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Man of the Match:.....

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Substitutions:.....

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County Visitors

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